MenchVReall Log Cabin
Near Friesburg, Salem County, New Jersey

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Owner: Frank J. Master (by lease)

Date of Erection: Probably late eighteenth century

Architoct:

Builder:

Present Condition: Poor

Number of Stories: One and one-half

Materials of Construction: Foundation - logs are laid on stones

Exterior walls - hand-hewn logs with dovetailed cornors; present gables clapboards

Interior walls - unfinished

Inside brick chimneys

Roof - pitch

Historical Data:

The present leasee Frank J. Master received his rights from the Salom City National Bank and Trust Company, administrator of the estate of George Master, who was given a lease in 1913 for seventy-five years by the Board of Trustees of the Salem County Alms House. James and John Reall when admitted to the alms house turned over the property to them.

The latest deed on record belongs to the year 1857 when James Shimp sold the piece of land with the log cabin to James Reall. Shimp had purchased it in 1834 from Benjamin Mench who had received it from his father by a will dated 1822. It has been impossible to find anything earlier than this date.

Bibliography:

A search of Salem County records by Mary N. Mifflin, Salem County Office

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